

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House and Senate met in Joint Meeting for the purpose of receiving His Excellency Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India.

The House agreed to the NASA Authorization Conference Report

The House agreed to the Legislative Branch Conference Report

House committees ordered reported 8 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3045–3055. **Page S8585**

Measures Reported:

S. 1534, to reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–412)

H.R. 701, to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–413) **Pages S8584–85**

PNTR (Permanent Normal Trade Relations) FOR CHINA: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People's Republic of China, and to establish a framework for relations between the United States and the People's Republic of China, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

By 6 yeas to 90 nays (Vote No. 247), Hollings Amendment No. 4134, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to require corporations to disclose foreign investment-related information in 10-K reports. **Page S8586, S8539–44**

By 30 yeas to 68 nays (Vote No. 248), Division I of Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting. **Pages S8536, S8544–46, S8557**

By 24 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 249), Division IV of Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting. **Pages S8536, S8546–48, S8557–58**

Hollings Amendment No. 4136, to authorize and request the President to report to the Congress annually, beginning in January, 2001, on the balance of trade with China for advanced technology products, and direct the President to eliminate any deficit. **Pages S8536, S8548–50, S8558**

By 16 yeas to 81 nays (Vote No. 250), Hollings Amendment No. 4135, to authorize and request the President to report to the Congress annually beginning in January, 2001, on the balance of trade with China for cereals (wheat, corn, and rice) and soybeans, and to direct the President to eliminate any deficit. **Pages S8536, S8550–53, S8558–59**

Hollings Amendment No. 4137, to condition eligibility for risk insurance provided by the Export-Import Bank or the Overseas Private Investment Corporation on certain certifications. **Pages S8536, S8553–57, S8559**

Withdrawn:

Wellstone Amendment No. 4118, to require that the President certify to Congress that the People's

Republic of China has taken certain actions with respect to ensuring human rights protection.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 4121, to strengthen the rights of workers to associate, organize and strike.

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Division II of Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting.

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Division III of Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting.

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Division V of Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Friday and Monday, September 15 and 18, 2000, with a vote on final passage of the bill to occur at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, September 19, 2000.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee for the period of February 1, 1998, to January 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-127)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Elwood Holstein, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

Melvin E. Clark, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2002. (Reappointment)

Sheryl R. Marshall, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2002. (Reappointment)

Nina M. Archabal, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Betty G. Bengtson, of Washington, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Ron Chew, of Washington, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Henry Glassie, of Indiana, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Mary D. Hubbard, of Alabama, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

Naomi Shihab Nye, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Vicki L. Ruiz, of Arizona, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Toni G. Fay, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2001.

Michael Prescott Goldwater, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for a term expiring October 13, 2005.

Hans Mark, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for the remainder of the term expiring April 17, 2002. (Reappointment)

Lynda Hare Scribante, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for a term expiring October 13, 2005. (Reappointment)

Thomas A. Fink, of Alaska, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2003. (Reappointment)

Stephen B. Lieberman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania vice Edward N. Cahn, retired.

3 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—250)	Pages S8544, S8557–59

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:01 a.m., and adjourned at 7:24 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, September 15, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8608.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

STEM CELL RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine the scientific and ethical impact of embryonic stem cell research, after receiving testimony from Richard O. Hynes, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, on behalf of the American Society for Cell Biology; Darwin J. Prockop, Tulane University Medical Center, New Orleans, Louisiana; Russell E. Saltzman, Ruskin Heights Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Missouri; Anton-Lewis Usala, Encelle, Inc., Greenville, North Carolina; Michael J. Fox, Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, New York, New York; Mary Tyler Moore, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Washington, D.C.; Ron Heagy, San Diego, California; Jennifer Estess, Los Angeles, California; and Gina Gershon, New York, New York.

DEFENSE BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings on the Congressional Budget Office study evaluating the funding that would be required to maintain today's military forces over the long run, after receiving testimony from Dan L. Crippen, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

AIR TRAFFIC DELAYS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues relating to unacceptable airline delays and cancellations and the customer service problems they cause, after receiving testimony from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary, and Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, both of the Department of Transportation; Leo F.

Mullin, Delta Airlines, Atlanta, Georgia; Donald J. Carty, American Airlines, Dallas/Fort Worth Airport, Texas; Duane E. Woerth, Air Line Pilots Association, International, Herndon, Virginia; Robert W. Poole, Jr., Reason Public Policy Institute, Los Angeles, California; and John Carr, National Air Traffic Controllers Association, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of David Z. Plavin, of New York, and Arthenia L. Joyner, of Florida, each to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council, and Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, all of the Department of Transportation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Joyner was introduced by Senator Graham, and Ms. Bailey was introduced by Senator Lautenberg.

ALASKA NORTH SLOPE NATURAL GAS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the transportation of Alaska North Slope natural gas to market and to investigate the cost, environmental aspects, economic impacts and energy security implications to Alaska and the rest of the nation for alternative routes and projects, after receiving testimony from T.J. Glauthier, Deputy Secretary, and James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, both of the Department of Energy; David J. Hayes, Deputy Secretary of the Interior; Dennis Roper, North Slope Borough Office of Governmental Affairs, Kevin O. Meyers, Phillips Petroleum Company, Jeffrey B. Lowenfels, Yukon Pacific Corporation, and Gary E. Carlson, Forcenergy, Inc., all of Anchorage, Alaska; Robert A. Malone, British Petroleum, Los Angeles, California; K. Terry Koonce, ExxonMobile Production Company, and Forrest E. Hoglund, Arctic Resources Company, both of Houston, Texas; Robert L. Pierce, Foothills Pipe Lines, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, on behalf of the Alaska Northwest Natural Gas Transportation Company; Roger Cooper, American Gas Association, and Jerald V. Halvorsen, Interstate Natural Gas Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; and Joseph Blount, Unocal Global Trade, Sugarland, Texas, on behalf of the Natural Gas Supply Association.

NATIONAL PARKS, HISTORIC PRESERVATION, AND RECREATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded on S. 2749, to establish